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Forty-third Day

The Senate meets pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by the Honorable Joseph A. Montalbano, President of the Senate, at 4:27 o'clock P.M.

The roll is called and a quorum is declared present with 33 Senators present and 3 Senators absent as follows:

PRESENT – 33: The Honorable President Montalbano and Senators Algiere, Alves, Badeau, Bates, Blais, Breene, Caprio, Ciccone, Connors, Cote, Damiani, DaPonte, Felag, Fogarty, Gallo, Gibbs, Goodwin, Issa, Lenihan, McCaffrey, Paiva-Weed, Parella, Perry, Pichardo, Polisena, Revens, Roberts, Ruggerio, Sheehan, Sosnowski, Tassoni, Walaska.

ABSENT – 3: Senators Lanzi, McBurney, Raptakis.

INVOCATION

The Honorable President, by unanimous consent, presents Senator McCaffrey, to deliver the invocation.

(See Appendix for Invocation)

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG

The Honorable President, by unanimous consent, presents Senator McCaffrey, to lead the Senate in the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

APPROVAL OF RECORD

The Senate Journal of Wednesday, May 12, 2004 proceedings is read in part.

Upon suggestion of Senator McCaffrey, and by unanimous consent, further reading of the Journal is dispensed with and the Journal approved as recorded.

GUESTS

Upon suggestion of Senators Connors and Sheehan and by unanimous consent, the Honorable President welcomes to the Chamber the Honorable Thomas R. Coderre, former State Senator from Pawtucket.

APPOINTMENTS

The Honorable President presents the following communication transmitting the following appointments:

May 13, 2004

The Honorable Senate State House Providence, RI 02903

Dear Colleagues:

Pursuant to Section 5.2 of the Senate Rules, I am making the following appointments to the Senate Standing Committees:

Senate Committee on Commerce, Housing and Municipal Government

Frank T. Caprio, *Chairperson*John J. Tassoni, *Vice Chairperson*Paul W. Fogarty, *Secretary*

David E. Bates Leo R. Blais Kevin A. Breene Marc A. Cote Leonidas P. Raptakis Elizabeth H. Roberts

Senate Committee on Constitutional and Gaming Issues

Maryellen Goodwin, *Chairperson*Marc A. Cote, *Vice Chairperson*David E. Bates, *Secretary*

Daniel P. Connors J. Michael Lenihan James C. Sheehan John J. Tassoni, Jr. Daniel DaPonte

Senate Committee on Education

Daniel J. Issa, *Chairperson*Hanna M. Gallo, *Vice Chairperson*Beatrice A. Lanzi, *Secretary*

Daniel P. Connors Walter S. Felag, Jr. Mary A. Parella V. Susan Sosnowski

Senate Committee on Environment and Agriculture

V. Susan Sosnowski, *Chairperson*Daniel P. Connors, *Vice Chairperson*Kevin A. Breene, *Secretary*

Stephen D. Alves Leo R. Blais June N. Gibbs William A. Walaska Joseph M. Polisena

Senate Committee on Finance

Stephen D. Alves, *Chairperson*Walter S. Felag, Jr., First *Vice Chairperson*Beatrice A. Lanzi, Second *Vice Chairperson*Hanna M. Gallo, *Secretary*

Frank A. Ciccone, III
Daniel P. Connors
June N. Gibbs
Maryellen Goodwin
Mary A. Parella
Juan M. Pichardo
Dominick J. Ruggerio

Senate Committee on Health and Human Services

Elizabeth H. Roberts, *Chairperson*James C. Sheehan, *Vice Chairperson*June N. Gibbs, *Secretary*

Leo R. Blais
John F. McBurney, III
Mary A. Parella
Rhoda E. Perry
Juan M. Pichardo

Senate Committee on Labor

Roger R. Badeau, *Chairperson*Dominick J. Ruggerio, *Vice Chairperson*Frank A. Ciccone, III *Secretary*

David E. Bates Marc A. Cote Paul W. Fogarty Beatrice A. Lanzi John C. Revens, Jr.

Senate Committee on Government Oversight

J. Michael Lenihan, *Chairperson*Daniel P. Connors, *Vice Chairperson*John F. McBurney, III *Secretary*

Leo R. Blais Daniel DaPonte Daniel J. Issa Elizabeth H. Roberts James C. Sheehan V. Susan Sosnowski

Senate Committee on Financial Services, Technology and Regulatory Issues

William A. Walaska, *Chairperson*Daniel DaPonte, *Vice Chairperson*David E. Bates, *Secretary*

Leo R. Blais Walter S. Felag, Jr. Hanna M. Gallo Juan M. Pichardo John C. Revens, Jr. V. Susan Sosnowski

Senate Committee on Judiciary

Michael J. McCaffrey, *Chairperson* Rhoda E. Perry, *Vice Chairperson* Leonidas P. Raptakis, *Secretary*

> Leo R. Blais Frank T. Caprio Michael J. Damiani John F. McBurney, III Joseph M. Polisena John C. Revens, Jr.

Senate Committee on Rules

Daniel P. Connors, Chairperson

David E. Bates
Daniel DaPonte
J. Michael Lenihan
Dominick J. Ruggerio

* President Montalbano, Majority Leader Paiva-Weed and Minority Leader Algiere serve as ex-official members of all committees.

Sincerely,

JOSEPH A. MONTALBANO President of the Senate

Read and ordered to be placed on file.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

COMMITTEE ON FINANCIAL SERVICES, TECHNOLOGY AND REGULATORY ISSUES

Senator Walaska, from the Committee on Financial Services, Technology and Regulatory Issues, reports back, with recommendation of passage of the following measure:

Senate Bill No. 2684 SUB A
BY Senators Bates, Gibbs, Gallo, Walaska, Paiva-Weed
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT

Read and ordered to be placed on the Calendar

COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENT OVERSIGHT

Senator Lenihan, from the Committee on Government Oversight, reports back, with recommendation of passage of the following measures:

Senate Bill No. 2019 SUB A as amended

BY Senator Blais

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT (interstate compact sunshine act)

Read and ordered to be placed on the Calendar

Also:

Senate Bill No. 2294 SUB A as amended BY Senators Lanzi, Ciccone, Badeau, Connors, DaPonte ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC PROPERTY AND WORKS -- GOVERNMENT OVERSIGHT AND FISCAL ACCOUNTABILITY REVIEW ACT

Read and ordered to be placed on the Calendar

Also:

Senate Bill No. 2320 SUB A

BY Senators Tassoni, Polisena, Lanzi, Goodwin

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO THE RHODE ISLAND JUSTICE COMMISSION

Read and ordered to be placed on the Calendar

Also:

Senate Bill No. 2917 SUB A as amended

BY Senators Paiva-Weed, Goodwin, Lenihan, DaPonte, Connors

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES -- CODE OF ETHICS

Read and ordered to be placed on the Calendar

COMMITTEE ON ENVIRONMENT AND AGRICULTURE

Senator Sosnowski, from the Committee on Environment and Agriculture, reports back, with recommendation of passage of the following measure:

House Bill No. 8129 SUB A (Dept. Environmental Management) **BY** Caprio D, McHugh, Shanley, Anguilla **ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO FISH AND WILDLIFE

Read and ordered to be placed on the Calendar

FROM THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

A message from the House of Representatives transmits with announcement of passage, of the following measures:

House Bill No. 8197

BY Flaherty, Naughton, Ginaitt, McNamara, Palumbo **ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO AERONAUTICS -- PERMANENT AIR QUALITY MONITORING ACT

Received and referred to the Senate Committee on Commerce, Housing and Municipal Government

Also:

House Bill No. 7158

BY Savage, Amaral, Long, McManus

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION -- ESTABLISHMENT OF CHARTER PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Received and referred to the Senate Committee on Education

Also:

House Bill No. 7722

BY Smith

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION -- ALTERNATIVE EDUCATION PROGRAMS

Received and referred to the Senate Committee on Education

Also:

House Bill No. 7788

BY Gallison, Anguilla, Malik, Enos

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION -- PRIVATE SCHOOLS

Received and referred to the Senate Committee on Education

Also:

House Bill No. 7183

BY Ginaitt

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY -- EMERGENCY MEDICAL TRANSPORTATION SERVICES

Received and referred to the Senate Committee on Finance

Also:

House Bill No. 7503 SUB A

BY Giannini, Naughton, Handy, Gallison, Enos **ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC PROPERTY AND WORKS -- DISABILITY BUSINESS ENTERPRISES

Received and referred to the Senate Committee on Finance

Also:

House Bill No. 7429 SUB A as amended BY Slater, Reilly, Williams, Tejada, Almeida ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC UTILITIES AND CARRIERS -- UTILITY PAYMENT PLANS

Referred to Senate Financial, Technology and Regulatory Issues

Also:

House Bill No. 7050

BY Giannini, McNamara, Kennedy, Wasylyk, Gallison **ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH INSURANCE COVERAGE

Referred to Senate Health and Human Services

Also:

House Bill No. 7129 as amended

BY Laroche, Enos, Coderre E, Almeida, Aubin

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO BUSINESSES AND PROFESSIONS

Referred to Senate Health and Human Services

Also:

House Bill No. 7417

BY Kennedy, Giannini, Naughton, Laroche, Montanaro **ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO INSURANCE

Referred to Senate Health and Human Services

Also:

House Bill No. 7462

BY Anguilla, Brien T, Ajello, Malik, McNamara **ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO INSURANCE -- HEALTH COVERAGE

Referred to Senate Health and Human Services

Also:

House Bill No. 7667 SUB A
BY Giannini, Cerra, Aubin, Gallison
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO BUSINESSES AND PROFESSIONS-PHYSICAL
THERAPISTS

Referred to Senate Health and Human Services

Also:

House Bill No. 7713

(Lieutenant Governor)

BY Dennigan, Malik, Anguilla, Almeida

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO THE HEALTH CARE FOR FAMILIES ACT

Referred to Senate Health and Human Services

Also:

House Bill No. 7717

(Lieutenant Governor)

BY Ginaitt, McNamara, Lewiss, Long

ENTITLED. AN ACT RELATING TO ASSISTED LIVING RESIDENCES

Referred to Senate Health and Human Services

Also:

House Bill No. 7718 SUB A as amended BY McNamara, Giannini, Handy, Ginaitt, McManus ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO INSURANCE COVERAGE -- CANCER EXAMINATIONS AND TESTS

Referred to Senate Health and Human Services

Also:

House Bill No. 7726 SUB A (Lieutenant Governor)
BY Ginaitt, McNamara, Lewiss, Long, Dennigan
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO HUMAN SERVICES

Referred to Senate Health and Human Services

Also:

House Bill No. 7729

BY Petrarca

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO THE BOARD OF MEDICAL LICENSURE AND DISCIPLINE

Referred to Senate Health and Human Services

Also:

House Bill No. 8127 as amended

(Lieutenant Governor)

BY Anguilla, Kilmartin, Gallison, Shanley, Rose

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY -- HEALTH CARE ACCESSIBILITY ASSURANCE

Referred to Senate Health and Human Services

Also:

House Bill No. 8225

BY Menard, Giannini

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY -- COMMUNITY RESIDENCES

Referred to Senate Health and Human Services

NEW BUSINESS

Senate Resolution No. 3114

BY Senators Walaska, Alves, Polisena, Goodwin, Fogarty P **ENTITLED**, SENATE RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING NATIONAL NURSING HOME WEEK

Senator Alves requests unanimous consent for immediate consideration.

Unanimous consent for immediate consideration is granted.

Senator Alves moves passage, seconded by the entire Senate.

The resolution is read and passed, upon a voice vote.

Also:

Senate Bill No. 3115

BY Senators Issa, Goodwin, Roberts, Lanzi, Gallo **ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Senator Issa requests unanimous consent for immediate consideration.

Unanimous consent for immediate consideration is granted.

Senator Issa moves passage, seconded by Senator Felag.

The act is read and passed, by unanimous consent, upon a roll call vote with 33 Senators voting in the affirmative and 0 Senators voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS- 33: The Honorable President Montalbano and Senators Algiere, Alves, Badeau, Bates, Blais, Breene, Caprio, Ciccone, Connors, Cote, Damiani, DaPonte, Felag, Fogarty, Gallo, Gibbs, Goodwin, Issa, Lenihan, McCaffrey, Paiva-Weed, Parella, Perry, Pichardo, Polisena, Revens, Roberts, Ruggerio, Sheehan, Sosnowski, Tassoni, Walaska.

NAYS- 0:

Also:

Senate Bill No. 3116

BY Senator Tassoni

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION - LEVY AND ASSESSMENT OF LOCAL TAXES

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Commerce, Housing and Municipal Government

Also:

Senate Bill No. 3117

BY Senator Gibbs

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TOWNS AND CITIES

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Commerce, Housing and Municipal Government

Also:

Senate Bill No. 3118

BY Senator Parella

ENTITLED, AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE TOWN OF PORTSMOUTH TO ISSUE GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS AND/OR NOTES IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$3,500,000 TO CONSTRUCT A GYMNASIUM, FOR PORTSMOUTH HIGH SCHOOL

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Commerce, Housing and Municipal Government

Senate Resolution No. 3119

BY Senator Gallo

ENTITLED, SENATE RESOLUTION PROCLAIMING MAY, 2004 AS "STROKE AWARENESS MONTH" IN THE STATE OF RHODE ISLAND.

Senator Gallo requests unanimous consent for immediate consideration.

Unanimous consent for immediate consideration is granted.

Senator Gallo moves passage, seconded by the entire Senate.

The resolution is read and passed, upon a voice vote.

Also:

Senate Resolution No. 3120

BY Senators Walaska, Issa, McCaffrey, Alves, Felag ENTITLED, SENATE RESOLUTION CONGRATULATING PRESIDENT SHUI-BIAN AND VICE PRESIDENT ANNETTE LU ON THEIR INAUGURATION AND IN RECOGNITION OF TAIWAN'S DEMOCRACY AND OUR MUTUAL FRIENDSHIP.

Senator Walaska requests unanimous consent for immediate consideration.

Unanimous consent for immediate consideration is granted.

Senator Walaska moves passage, seconded by the entire Senate.

The resolution is read and passed, upon a voice vote.

CALENDAR

IN ORDER FOR THURSDAY, MAY 13, 2004:

1. 2004-S 2229 SUB A

BY Perry

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL PROCEDURE - EYEWITNESS IDENTIFICATION

Committee on Judiciary recommends indefinite postponement of the original bill and passage of Substitute A.

Senator Perry moves passage, seconded by Senators Alves, Roberts and Paiva-Weed.

Senator Perry, seconded by Senators Alves, Roberts and Paiva-Weed, offers the following written motion to amend.

FLOOR AMENDMENT

TO

2004 -- S 2229 SUBSTITUTE A

AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL PROCEDURE - EYEWITNESS IDENTIFICATION Mr. President:

I hereby move to amend 2004 -- S 2229 SUBSTITUTE A, entitled "AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL PROCEDURE - EYEWITNESS IDENTIFICATION", as follows:

- 1. On page 1, by deleting all the language and punctuation on lines 10 through 12.
- 2. On page 1, line 13, by deleting the letter "(c)" and substituting the letter "(b)" in place thereof.
- 3. On page 1, line 18, by deleting the letter "(d)" and substituting the letter "(c)" in place thereof.
- 4. On page 2, line 4, by deleting the letter "(e)" and substituting the letter "(d)" in place thereof.
- 5. On page 2, line 7, by deleting the letter "(f)" and substituting the letter "(e)" in place thereof.

Respectfully submitted, SENATOR PERRY

The motion to amend prevails upon a roll call vote with 32 Senators voting in the affirmative and 0 Senators voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS- 32: The Honorable President Montalbano and Senators Algiere, Alves, Badeau, Bates, Blais, Breene, Caprio, Ciccone, Connors, Cote, Damiani, DaPonte, Felag, Fogarty, Gallo, Gibbs, Goodwin, Issa, McCaffrey, Paiva-Weed, Parella, Perry, Pichardo, Polisena, Revens, Roberts, Ruggerio, Sheehan, Sosnowski, Tassoni, Walaska.

NAYS- 0:

Senator Perry, moves passage of the act as amended, seconded by Senators Alves, Roberts and Paiva-Weed.

Senators Polisena, Perry, Damiani, and McCaffrey, discuss the act.

The act is read and passed, as amended, upon a roll call vote with 25 Senators voting in the affirmative and 4 Senators voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS- 25: The Honorable President Montalbano and Senators Algiere, Alves, Badeau, Blais, Caprio, Ciccone, Connors, Cote, DaPonte, Felag, Fogarty, Gibbs, Goodwin, Issa, McCaffrey, Paiva-Weed, Parella, Perry, Pichardo, Revens, Roberts, Ruggerio, Sosnowski, Tassoni.

NAYS- 4: Senators Bates, Breene, Damiani, Polisena.

2. 2004-S 2299 SUB A

BY Blais

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURES

Committee on Financial, Technology, Regulatory recommends indefinite postponement of the original bill and passage of Substitute A.

Senator Blais moves passage, seconded by Senators Paiva-Weed, Connors, Cote, Walaska and Felag.

Senator Blais, seconded by Senators Breene, Sosnowski and Walaska, offers the following written motion to amend.

FLOOR AMENDMENT

TO

2004 -- S 2299 SUBSTITUTE A

AN ACT RELATING TO ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURES

Mr. President:

I hereby move to amend 2004 -- S 2299 SUBSTITUTE A, entitled "AN ACT RELATING TO ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURES", as follows:

By deleting all language on page 2, lines 18 through 34, inclusive, and on page 3, lines 1 and 2, and inserting the following language in place thereof:

- "(i) (1) "Small business" shall mean a business activity, that complies with all of the following:
- (A) Independently owned and operated.
- (B) Not dominant in its field of operation.
- (C) Not exceeding the following annual gross receipts in the categories of:
- (i) Agricultural, one million dollars (\$1,000,000) one million eight hundred fifty thousand dollars (\$1,850,000).
- (ii) General construction, nine million five hundred thousand dollars (\$9,500,000) seventeen million five hundred seventy-five thousand dollars (\$17,575,000).
- (iii) Special trade construction, five million dollars (\$5,000,000) nine million two hundred fifty thousand dollars (\$9,250,000).
- (iv) Retail trade, two million dollars (\$2,000,000) three million seven hundred thousand dollars (\$3,700,000).
- (v) Wholesale trade, nine million five hundred thousand dollars (\$9,500,000) seventeen million five hundred seventy-five thousand dollars (\$17,575,000).
- (vi) Services, two million dollars (\$2,000,000) three million seven hundred thousand dollars (\$3,700,000).
- (vii) Transportation and warehousing, one million five hundred thousand dollars (\$1,500,000) two million seven hundred seventy-five thousand dollars (\$2,775,000).
 - (D) If a manufacturing enterprise, not exceeding two hundred fifty (250) employees.
- (E) If a health care facility, not exceeding one hundred fifty (150) beds or one million five hundred thousand dollars (\$1,500,000) two million seven hundred seventy-five thousand dollars (\$2,775,000) in annual gross receipts.
- (F) If a generating or transmitting facility, generating and/or transmitting electric power not exceeding four million five hundred thousand (4,500,000) kilowatts."

Respectfully submitted, SENATOR BLAIS

The motion to amend prevails upon a roll call vote with 30 Senators voting in the affirmative and 0 Senators voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS- 30: The Honorable President Montalbano and Senators Algiere, Badeau, Bates, Blais, Breene, Caprio, Ciccone, Connors, Cote, Damiani, Felag, Fogarty, Gibbs, Goodwin, Issa, Lenihan, McCaffrey, Paiva-Weed, Parella, Perry, Pichardo, Polisena, Revens, Roberts, Ruggerio, Sheehan, Sosnowski, Tassoni, Walaska.

NAYS- 0:

Senator Blais, moves passage of the act as amended, seconded by Senators Breene, Sosnowski and Walaska

Senator Walaska discusses the act.

The act is read and passed, as amended, upon a roll call vote with 30 Senators voting in the affirmative and 1 Senator voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS- 30: The Honorable President Montalbano and Senators Algiere, Badeau, Bates, Blais, Breene, Caprio, Ciccone, Connors, Cote, Damiani, Felag, Fogarty, Gibbs, Goodwin, Issa, Lenihan, McCaffrey, Paiva-Weed, Parella, Perry, Pichardo, Polisena, Revens, Roberts, Ruggerio, Sheehan, Sosnowski, Tassoni, Walaska.

NAYS-1: Senator Alves.

3. 2004-S 2078 as amended

BY Revens

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY -- BEDDING AND UPHOLSTERED FURNITURE

Committee on Commerce, Housing & Municipal Government recommends passage as amended.

Senator Revens moves passage, seconded by Senators Caprio, Connors and Parella.

Senator Lenihan discusses the act.

The act is read and passed, as amended, upon a roll call vote with 21 Senators voting in the affirmative and 6 Senators voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS- 21: The Honorable President Montalbano and Senators Algiere, Badeau, Bates, Blais, Breene, Caprio, Ciccone, Connors, Goodwin, Issa, McCaffrey, Paiva-Weed, Parella, Perry, Pichardo, Revens, Roberts, Sosnowski, Tassoni, Walaska.

NAYS- 6: Senators Cote, Damiani, Felag, Lenihan, Polisena and Sheehan.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Senator McCaffrey announces that the Committee on Judiciary will meet today, at the rise of the Senate, in Room 313 of the State House.

Senator Roberts announces that the Committee on Health and Human Services will meet on Tuesday, May 18, 2004, at the rise of the Senate, in Room 313 of the State House.

Senator Caprio announces that the Committee on Commerce, Housing and Municipal Government will meet today, at the rise of the Senate, in Room 212 of the State House.

TRANSMITTAL

By unanimous consent, all matters on the Clerk's desk are ordered to be transmitted to His Excellency, the Governor or to the Honorable House of Representatives forthwith.

ADJOURNMENT

Upon motion of Senator Ruggerio, seconded by Senator Breene, and upon suggestion of Senator Algiere, the Senate adjourns at 5:02 o'clock P.M. in memory of Hope Harris.

RAYMOND T. HOYAS, JR. Secretary of the Senate

Appendix

INVOCATION

SENATOR MICHAEL J. MCCAFFREY

Dear Lord, bestow your special blessings on all assembled in this chamber. Help us to always bear in mind that the people who elected us to serve them have placed their trust in us. May we serve them well in the ways in which you have taught us. Amen.

Appendix

CALENDAR

IN ORDER FOR TUESDAY, MAY 18, 2004:

1 2004-S 2308 as amended

BY Cote

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO BUSINESSES AND PROFESSIONS -- LAND SURVEYORS

Committee on Commerce, Housing & Municipal Government recommends passage as amended.

2 2004-S 2725 as amended

BY Ciccone

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR VEHICLES - ABANDONED CARS

Committee on Commerce, Housing & Municipal Government recommends passage as amended.

3 2004-S 2791

BY Goodwin

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC UTILITIES AND CARRIERS -- TOWING STORAGE ACT

Committee on Commerce, Housing & Municipal Government recommends passage.

4 2004-S 2497 SUB A

BY Roberts

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION

Committee on Education recommends indefinite postponement of the original bill and passage of Substitute A.

5 <u>2004-S 2760</u>

BY Goodwin

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO THE INDEBTEDNESS OF TOWNS AND CITIES

Committee on Finance recommends passage.

6 2004-S 3085

BY Fogarty P

ENTITLED, AN ACT PROVIDING FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF A NEW MIDDLE SCHOOL AND THE ACQUISITION OF LAND THEREFOR AND FOR THE RENOVATION OF THE PONAGANSET HIGH SCHOOL AND PONAGANSET MIDDLE SCHOOL BY THE FOSTER-GLOCESTER REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT AND AUTHORIZING THE FINANCING THEREOF, INCLUDING THE ISSUE OF NOT MORE THAN \$45,720,000.00 IN BONDS THEREFOR

Committee on Finance recommends passage.

7 2004-S 3086

BY Sosnowski

ENTITLED, AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE TOWN OF SOUTH KINGSTOWN TO FINANCE CAPITAL TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS AND TO ISSUE NOT MORE THAN \$200,000 BONDS THEREFOR

Committee on Finance recommends passage.

8 2004-S 3087

BY Sosnowski

ENTITLED, AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE TOWN OF SOUTH KINGSTOWN TO FINANCE THE ACQUISITION OF LAND FOR OPEN SPACE, RECREATION AND AGRICULTURAL PURPOSES AND TO ISSUE NOT MORE THAN \$2,000,000 BONDS THEREFOR

Committee on Finance recommends passage.

9 2004-S 3088

BY Sosnowski

ENTITLED, AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE TOWN OF SOUTH KINGSTOWN TO FINANCE THE CONSTRUCTION OF A SCHOOL/COMMUNITY GYMNASIUM AND TO ISSUE NOT MORE THAN \$1,550,000 BONDS THEREFOR

Committee on Finance recommends passage.

10 <u>2004-S 3089</u>

BY Fogarty P

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT - MILL BUILDING AND ECONOMIC REVITALIZATION ACT

Committee on Finance recommends passage.

11 <u>2004-S 2825 SUB A as amended</u>

BY Polisena

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO LABOR AND LABOR RELATIONS - - CORRECTIONAL OFFICERS -- ARBITRATORS

Committee on Labor recommends indefinite postponement of the original bill and passage of Substitute A as amended.

12 <u>2004-H 8451</u>

BY Williamson

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION - LEVY AND ASSESSMENT OF LOCAL TAXES

Committee on Finance recommends passage in concurrence.

IN ORDER FOR WEDNESDAY, MAY 19, 2004:

1 <u>2004-S 2684 SUB A</u>

BY Bates

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT

Committee on Financial, Technology, Regulatory recommends indefinite postponement of the original bill and passage of Substitute A.

2 2004-S 2019 SUB A as amended

BY Blais

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT

Committee on Government Oversight recommends indefinite postponement of the original bill and passage of Substitute A as amended.

3 2004-S 2294 SUB A as amended

BY Lanzi

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC PROPERTY AND WORKS -GOVERNMENT OVERSIGHT AND FISCAL ACCOUNTABILITY
REVIEW ACT

Committee on Government Oversight recommends indefinite postponement of the original bill and passage of Substitute A as amended.

4 <u>2004-S 2320 SUB A</u>

BY Tassoni

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO THE RHODE ISLAND JUSTICE COMMISSION

Committee on Government Oversight recommends indefinite postponement of the original bill and passage of Substitute A.

5 2004-S 2917 SUB A as amended

BY Paiva-Weed

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES -- CODE OF ETHICS

Committee on Government Oversight recommends indefinite postponement of the original bill and passage of Substitute A as amended.

6 2004-H 8129 SUB A

BY Caprio D

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO FISH AND WILDLIFE

Committee on Environment & Agriculture recommends indefinite postponement of the original bill and passage of Substitute A in concurrence.

Raymond T. Hoyas, Jr. Secretary of the Senate